MILWAUKEE RADIO AMATEUR'S CLUB VEC MILW-9

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RE: UVE PROGRAM

DEAR RAY!

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MILWAUKEE RADIO AMATEUR'S CLUB IN A MEETING ON JANUARY 19, 1989 DECIDED WE ARE UNANIMOUSLY OPPOSED TO THE UVE PROGRAM AS PROPOSED. IF IT IS ADOPTED BY THE OTHER VEC'S, WE WILL EXTEND ANY COURTESY NECESSARY TO VISITING UVE'S.

WE ARE NOT IN A POSITION TO ACCEPT ANY OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES OF VISITING VVE'S, SINCE WE HAVE NOT AS YET BROKEN EVEN FINANCIALLY AFTER FOUR YEARS IN THE VE PROGRAM.

ACCEPTING TEST MATERIALS BROUGHT IN BY THE VVE'S COULD BE VERY DISRUPTIVE AND IN OUR OPINION WOULD NOT SERVE ANY USEFUL PURPOSE.

IN THE YEARS SINCE OUR CLUB HAS BEEN A VEC, I HAVE NOT AS YET SEEN ANY EVIDENCE OF CHEATING. WE HAVE RECENTLY CHANGED OUR CODE TESTS TO MULTIPLE CHOICE, SINCE IT WOULD SEEM TO AFFORD LESS CHANCE OF CHEATING THAN THE "FILL IN THE BLANKS" TESTS. THE PASSING RATE SEEMS TO BE ABOUT THE SAME IN EITHER CASE.

AS THE OLDEST CONTINUOUSLY ACTIVE RADIO CLUB IN THE WORLD, WE ARE CERTAINLY NOT AGAINST IMPROVING HAM RADIO, THE EXAMS AND FURTHER SIMPLIFICATION OF THE ASSOCIATED PAPER WORK. WE DO NOT, HOWEVER FEEL THAT THE VVE PROGRAM IS NECESSARY.

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